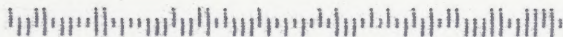


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Guyrey C Burke, Ph.D.
2306 Clinton Ln.
Rockaway, NJ 07866-5826



Chf-
Chf

congratulations on receiving the Charles
F. Nettleship Award for Service! We are very
happy for you and wish you the continued
best in all of your endeavors.

The Hastings College
Alumni Association
& Foundation

NJNS

11.19.18

Meeting called to order @ 7 p.m.

- Sec. reported - accepted - no changes

- Treasurer's Report - ~~no Treasurer's Report this evening~~

Old Business / New Business

- Proposed officers - officers slate for next year accepted -

- J.T. Stanton passed away recently

Mike Rullo - passed away - local dealer - died at 61

- Baltimore - show - Mike McKeever had a great time

Two mikes visited ANS Nov 9 - 3 1/2 hrs Lord Baltimore Shillings ^{and pence} and 3 pence - Colonials, Hibernia Norse ~~stars~~ collection, medieval Polish coins. Specialists went over the coin with them - and gave guidance on how best to photograph them
die variety questions MA, VA, CT coppers

Pizza Party next ^{month} ~~week~~ - Madison Community Center

25 Kook Street 7 P.M. Dec 17 - send out RSVP e-mail
RSVP in 2 weeks

Nobleship Award - given to Jeff Burke

Presented by Nettleship Chair Ray Williams
and NJAS President Pete.

meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
TREASURER'S REPORT
NOV. 1, 2018

BALANCE AS OF NOV. 1, 2018 \$3,751.96

November 19, 2018
ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE

Bill LIATYS

RAY WILLIAMS

Jeff Burke

Rebe La Conte

MICHAEL BALWIERCZAK

Stephen Zimmerman

Richard Margulies

Richard Peters

Michael McKeever

Bob Wolchek

JOHN A. KALDWIN

GUESTS

Ron Dolecki

John Dolecki

GUESTS

November 19, 2018

SHOW & TELL

1906 PHILIPPINES 1 CENTAVO

1867 DOUBLE DIE 2 CENT

④ NY TAX STAMPS 1757-1760 2d & 3d
NYNC MODAL

1885 MORGAN TONED MS64

1889 MORGAN ~~X~~TONED ~~X~~F45

NJNS 10.15.18

Pete opened the meeting
7:05 p.m.

old Business

Old News / New Business

No Treasurer's Report

Minutes accepted - no change
Old Business

- Motion to accept nominations for officers for next year

- New Business took over chair of Nettlechip from ^{Spencer} Peck

Mike Fey - 10 years Nettlechip Awards 39 Bronze anniversary medals and 9 Nettlechip medals 4 blank certificates, List of all past winners - ~~was passed~~ to Ray Williams

Ray Williams - new chair of Nettlechip Award -

President's letter - Nettlechip Award will be given in ~~December~~ November

~~in~~ In a ceremonial way
Ray pleased and honored
to be new Nettlechip
Chair

7:55 - meeting adjourned

October 15, 2018

SHOW & TELL

MOLLY KATHLEEN Gold Mine
Silver Round

1924 toned Peace Dollar

James I English Shilling

1943/2 NICKEL

1894 PF 65 NICKEL

1834 LG CENT
N-3

P63DM 1878 7/8 UAH 32

18980 RPD Genuine Surface Damage

NJNS September 17, 2018

No Treasurer's Report
- Minutes accepted

Old Business / New Business

Steve - talk in October Zim -

Nov - Jeff will speak on "The 1794 Large Cent"

ANA - Show in Philly - several people gave their reports

Passipanny Show also ~~reported~~ ^{reported}

Pizza party in December

Mike Fey - called Walter - conference call -
we all said hello Walter thrilled we called -
scared about going home on Oct 10 - will need
Aides - medicine was running low or out -

SCOTT MILLER - collects medals, member of the New
York Numismatic Club?
wheatabix@verizon.net

John Lew and the Mississippi Bauble? - Harry
Rescigno

Adjourned at 8:25

September 17, 2018

SHOW & TELL

2018 PALLADIUM PROOF

② Stamped Lincoln cents

1727 1 SCHILLING HAMBURG

1882 William Penn medal

\$2 Bill - 1976 with stamped date

VICTOR BRENNAN Lake George Regatta Medal

1878cc GSA Pickens silver dollar

4 Gold Swimming Medals (IR. Olympics!)

⑤ 1.00 CONTINENTAL CURRENCY BILLS
COIN SCALE FROM THE 1700'S

1786 FRANKLIN NATUS BOSTON MEDAL (ORIGINAL)

BRONZE PLAQUE RE: AFTERNOON OF A FAUN

BY MAURICE CHARPENTIER-MIO C. 1910

1794 US LARGE CENT.

1807 over 6 US LARGE CENT

Roman Republic SILVER DENARIUS

NTNS

July 16, 2018

✓ make listing for guests on sign-in sheet

- No Treasurer's report
- Minutes accepted - no revisions

Old Business / ~~New Business~~

Ray at ANA Summer Seminar took class on Colonial paper money - Had chance to meet the editors he works with at the Numismatist - Ray has a quarterly column at the Numismatist.

Summer FUN - this past Thursday - Carl Feldman went there

- Walter - Pete called him a week ago. Walter said he would like to have visitors still paralyzed on the left side

New Business

- Carl brought a collection of numismatic lit to share with Society members tonight.

Carl Feldman - descendants of William and Charles Barber - ANA show in Philly - memorabilia, ephemera, medals, coins - Barber / Liberty sealed 12 cases of ... to show

John Frost Educ Director Barbara Gugony 12 page discussion of what will be at the ANA -

in The Numismatist - a number of pictures as well

EAC and C4 club meetings at the ANA in Philadelphia
AJ, journeyed at 8:05 p.m.

July 16, 2018

SHOW & TELL

Beneventum Gold Tremissis

2019 RED BOOK

1776 25^{8d} BILL - SIGNED JACOB JARVIS

1776 \$1.00 BILL - SIGNED ~~FR~~ ROOSEVELT

1857 SEATED QUARTER w/CLASH 1857 F.E. CENT

1998-P Jefferson Nickel with reverse die clash

NJNS

Monday, June 18th, 2018

Thursday, June 14th

e-mail
from ←
Elaine

Walter phoned calls Sunday June 10 - Thurs June 14th, send him a
card over the weekend

3 hrs intensive rehab speech, movement, is able to use a wheelchair

- Minutes - no corrections

Treasurer's Report

2 wks - will be walking, short term memory issues

Michael - mco - 1st visitor from the Dominican Republic

Collects coins from the Dominican Republic
and Haiti. Haiti

Old Business / New Business

Lloyd^A saw Walter on Saturday - speech is OK - keeping a stiff
upper lip - gives he regards to everyone at the NJNS
Lloyd brought him some coin magazines to read

New Business

check which course

Raz is at the Summer Seminar 14-18th

- ANA will be in Philly this summer - August ~~14-18~~ - check dates
- Baltimore this Thursday

✓ * E-mail Mike B. NJNS Directory
Mike Mck - new President of Washington Hills and Staten Island
Coin Club
Fran^{K.} and Joann H. - take off list NJNS

100 St. Peter's Boys High School

Staten Island

In loving memory of ^{R.}Daren Bailey

Adjourned at 8:54 P.M.

/ add him to list

Pajer@optonline.net

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
TREASURER'S REPORT

6/18/18

PREVIOUS ENDING BALANCE $\$3,800.56$

REVENUES:

DUES $\$120$

50/50 37

TOTAL REVENUES 157.00

$\$3,957.56$

EXPENSES:

ROOM RENTAL $\$140$

TOTAL EXPENSES 140.00

BALANCE $\$3,817.56$

June 18, 2018

SHOW & TELL

Ireland 1691 Half Penny
1691 Farthing

916 1/2 Penny (British)

MARDIN ARTUQIDS DIRNEM 1199/1200 AD
MALTA 1 TARI 1786
2 SASSANIAN DRACHMS

Liberty or Barber nickels

Confederate Brashlow Restriction Cent

MEXICO ONE PESO 1873 CHOP MARKS

NJNS

Monday, May 21st

Pete called the meeting to order at 7
- minutes - accepted

No Treasurer's Report

- moment of silence for Dave B and Mal H

Shared stories about Dave and Mal. Mike McKee first met Bailey at the Staten Island Coin Club about 20 yrs ago
Mike M. went to Ireland with Bailey in 2015 and saw Viking pieces in a museum

Carl Feldman - Mal Heckman - learned about Byzantine coins from Mal and Chris McConnell - sold his Byzantine collection at auction

- Both Mal and Dave were Netsmanship winners

Old/New Business

GSNA Show - Andy Singer's table was busy - Busy Floor ~~AN~~ Thurs and Fri

Carl Liberty Seated and Barber tables

4 Educational Seminars on Barber and Liberty Seated Coinage

Carl and John Frost - been in contact with Barber's descendants

more docs at ANA in Philly

Charles and William

John Frost August ANA

Barber's descendants

The Numismatist signed up new members for LSCC and
Barber Coin Collector's Society

(2)

18th, Bill L.

June meeting speaker? - Mike McKeever is the backup speaker

Alan spoke on "The Numismatic Zoo: Animals on Coins"
Gugel

How to Tell

8:11 P.M. adjourned until June 18th

May 21, 2018

SHOW & TELL

Medal ANS. Bronze

150 ANN Also in Silver

SCOTLAND 1602 MERK (1354d)

REGENSBURG 1126-32 DÜNUPHENING

US 81 Notes: Series 1928-32, Series 1935 Mule
Series 1935-A Mule,
Series 1935-A - "R" & "S" Overprints

1/12 Ecu > France
Ecu
8 Reales Mexico

1 Penny Aiberna Norse / Rosa America
Serby 6104 2 Pence 1722

NJNS

4.16.18 7 p.m.

March Minutes - will be distributed in May with the ~~May~~ April minutes
Treasurer's Report

Old Business / New Business

- Ray went to Colonial Williamsburg 3 wks ago - with 3 other numismatists, made
- = new show Lansdale, PA - excellent turn out! Steady traffic on the bourse approx 25 dealers 2nd Sunday every month
- Members sent around a card to sign to send to Dave Busley
- Mike Fay will be teaching Morgan Dollar class at ANA again this summer with 2 other instructors
- Mel Heckman (GSNA) also has stage 4 cancer
- ~~So~~ This Sat Ray will be giving a talk ^{at} the ANS on Colonial paper money
- * Extended Show-and-tell tonight

meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

NEW JERSEY HUMISMATIC SOCIETY

APRIL 16 2018

TREASURER'S REPORT

OPENING BALANCE

\$ 4,005.56

REVENUES

DUES \$40

50/50 15

TOTAL REVENUE

55.00

\$4,060.56

EXPENSES

ANA DUES \$15.00

ANS DUES 190.00 2 YEARS

TOTAL EXPENSES

205.00

\$3,855.56

April 16, 2018

SHOW & TELL

1776 NY $\frac{1}{8}$ DOLLAR BILL

VARIOUS VARIETY & ERROR LARGE CENTS
1872 CHICAGO FIRE & MEDAL
1899 MICRO O MORGAN
SOUVENIR LAKEHURST ZEPPELIN

APRIL - THE START OF THE CIVIL WAR 157 YRS AGO, SO WILL SHOW A
CONFEDERATE $\frac{1}{2}$ DOLLAR 1861-O WB104

1877 INDIAN

1909 LINCOLN with staple

1876 CC SEATED LIBERTY

French Colonial 1769 A Copper Sou

French Colonial 1739 A Sou Margue

French Colonial 1640 Lis Counterstamp

MEDALLIONS - JAMES WATT
JOHN LOCKE
Princess Charlotte
WWF AMISTICE

U.S. Seated Liberty Quarters: 1842-O Large Date
1846-O Small Date - Rare
1853-P No Arrow - Rare

US 1901 DOR VAM 3

BAU DETAILS 1840 O NO DRAPERY $\frac{1}{2}$ DIME

NVAC DETAILS 1934 CHINA JUNK DOLLAR LAM 110

US TRADE DOLLAR 1874-5 WITH CHOP MARK

March 19, 2018 Monday
NJNS

- Minutes accepted -
- Treasurer's Report - accepted

Ray invited to
monthly dinner

Spouse ^{numismatic luminaries}
Denms Loring

Old Business / New Business

Bill Eckberg, Chuck Heck

Carl Feldman ^{check date}

Ray - dinner west Palm Beach - dinner with Carl last Wed.

- Baltimore and Watchung Hills Shows coming up Red Rose
- Coin Show in April - Lancaster, PA

WSJ - whole page ^{article} Keep 5¢ - 1¢ should we keep published today 3.19.18

- Dave Bailey hospitalized with pneumonia - send him a get well card - to their home

- Montgomery County Coin Show, April 8th ^{new show} (mention in minutes)

- April 21st - Ray's talk on Colonial Paper money
Summer Seminar in June - Ray will be taking the Colonial Paper money class

- Ray is going to Colonial Williamsburg with several other numismatists to see their American collection

Harry "Coins of the Bible"

- Look at article I did on Herb Silberman

Harry uses David Herdon's book on coins of the Bible

Yacov Meshur, Ken Bressett also had books on coins of the Bible

meeting adjourned
at 8.21 p.m.

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT

MARCH 19, 2018

PREVIOUS ENDING BALANCE \$3,929.56

REVENUES:

DUES	\$60.00
50/50	<u>16.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$76.00</u>

	<u>76.00</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u>\$4,005.56</u>

March 19, 2018

SHOW & TELL

FEB 16, 1971 NY £2 BILL DEC 1, 1986 MA \$7 - CANCELLED.
1885 NOVA CONSTELLATIO 1815 LARGE CENT
WEINER CATHEDRAL MEDALS
1763 1/48 Thaler M THURNESSEN Thaler
1844-0 Seaten 50! Double Date PC65 (OGH) XF40.
1799 21 Batzen of Neuchâtel Switzerland 1334 Pope John XXII Grosso Mint Mercenerata
1/ US Note - Series 2017 with Printed Signature Block F-A
DOUBLE DENARIUS OF DIOCLETIAN REVERSE EXPLAINED
IRELAND WILLIAM III HALF PENNY 1696 GUN MONEY JAMES II HALF CROWN

NTNS

Feb. 17, 2018

Secretaries Report - accepted - no corrections

Treasurer's Report - Mike looked into insurance - what we pay for insurance is "very fair and reasonable"

Next month - Harry, "Coins of the Bible"

Old Business / New Business - April 21st Money Talks ANS

~~Discussed state taxes for numismatic products~~ Colonial Paper money

→ Red Rose coin club show Lancaster - 7th Sat in April
Ray - ANS, ANA, C4, EAL will have a table to promote these clubs

Watchung Hills Show coming up in April; GSNA - in May
(check dates)

Walter "Varieties of Seated Dime"

to counterfeit is
Death

(check the ANS website)
Adjourned at 8:35 pm

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

TREASURER'S REPORT

FEB. 19, 2018

PREVIOUS ENDING BALANCE \$3974.56

REVENUE

DUES \$60

TOTAL REVENUE

\$60.00

\$4,034.56

EXPENSES

MADISON-ROOM RENTAL \$105

TOTAL EXPENSES

105.00

BALANCE

\$3929.56

February 19, 2018

ATTENDANCE

RAY WILLIAMS

Bill LIATYS

Jeff Burke

Dave Brink

Walter Chonoy

ALAN GUGEL

Richard Peters

Bob Wolkebeck

Richard Marshall

Henry Perazich

Michael / J. Kroeber

I. J. Lager

Michael Bahadır Oz

Stare Zimmerhaus

February 19, 2018

SHOW & TELL

ANTIOCH AE 21 A.D 13/14 MAY 5, 1780 MASS \$7 BILL
JAMES I SHILLING
EDWARD II SHILLING
1/24 REAL

WASHINGTON CENTENNIAL INAUGERATIVE MEDALS } BY
WASHINGTON MONUMENT MEDAL } SG.B. SOLEY

Medal with children of Louis XVI
Medal of David Garrick
Ann. Jansons medal
Crown Token Bath 1795

1804 1/2 CENT VARIETY OF DIE CRACK TO CUD.

Roman Bronzes- 2 coins of Vespasian

1956 Filled 5 Quarter

1534 Papal Medal City view of Rome

BOLIVIA 1702 PHILIP V 8R
BOLIVIA 1613-17 PHILIP III 8R

1.15.18 Monday night

NJNS

David Barry Bailey
david.barry.bailey@gmail.com

Minutes - corrections

✓ * 4 yrs of service as President (instead of 3)

Old Business / New Business

- Walter had revised directory
- Treasurer's Report - accepted

Adjourned
8:20

Feb. Walter "Varieties of Seated Dinners"
April - Dave Bailey
March - Harry Reser, 2000
Bill - May "Coins of the Bible"

Insurance payment liability insur. at the club 271.00 a year
for our monthly meetings at the library

Watching Hills apparently pays less for their liability insurance.

Liability tells us what we can and cannot do - Ray - it concerns liability for the club officers

Chatham Summit Club was disbanded after 55 years 1962-2017-
7 remaining people merged with Watching Hills

Bill attended the FUN show - business appeared on site
NYINC -

ANS Gala Dinner at the Harvard Club on West 44th

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
TREASURER'S REPORT
JAN 15, 2018

PREVIOUS ENDING BALANCE \$4110.56

REVENUES

DUES \$240
50/50 28
TOTAL REVENUES

268.00
\$4378.56

EXPENSES

~~REST~~ PARTY \$133
INSURANCE \$271
TOTAL EXPENSES

404.00
\$3974.56

January 15, 2018

SHOW & TELL

1797 MIDDLE FERRY BILL
1787 FRENCH SOL

1851 O 34 SILVER XF45
1900 O/CC MORGAN ~~MS-62~~
1893 CC MORGAN AU SB

French Ken
Conder Token
French JETTONS

Thomas Spence
Middlesex 704 undated
Conder Token choice uncirc.
Ex. Jan, Jr.

James Conder 1794
Suffolk 35 Conder token
Red Brown uncirc.

BOLIVIA 1613-1617 PHILIP III 8R
SPAIN 1556-1598 PHILIP II 8R

Chatham-Summit 8 coins Bot-w

Large Cuts - Varieties of fractions & stems
Hawley & Error in Fractions - S-223, S-221, S-219,
S-241, S-229, S-243, S-249, S-131

I think you're right

Diff. eq. 1st. Order.

Am. 12, 2018

I guess a lot of people
say this at a time of loss,
but I really hope
you'll take me up on it.
If I can do something for you,
go somewhere with you,
or just be around to listen
when you feel like talking —
remember, I'm here,
and I'd like to help.

1. 1. 1.

With our first set, S_1 , for your first, I need
 to know the k th element of S_1 to k .

I - Haffner for the time I had with him,
 the last time I visited my mother in
 the ADA was with

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- 3:15 PM **Rod Gillis:** "Benjamin Franklin and His Influence on Modern Coinage"

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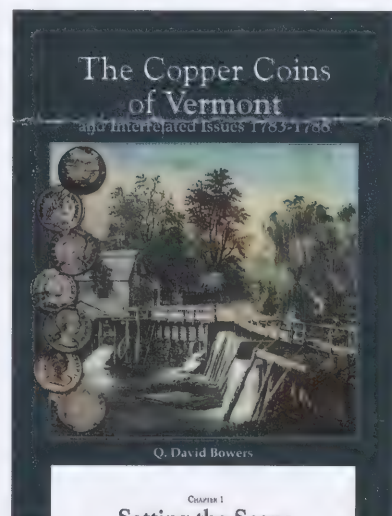
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Collecting Memories

One hobbyist's love of numismatics grew along with him.

➤ This story starts during the summer when I was 7 years old and made a friend from Aruba. This person said his country had a square nickel, and he gifted me one. The coin became a treasured possession and was the start of my first collection. At the time, I was already collecting baseball cards, seashells, rocks, marbles and whatever else seemed cool at the time.



PHOTOS: ANA MUSEUM/ROBERT B. KELLEY (COINS) & RAY WILLIAMS

▲ The author, pictured here in the 8th grade, found a passion for coins after receiving a square-shaped specimen from a friend from Aruba.

Fast forward four years when I joined the Boy Scouts. What a life-changing experience! As I looked through all the merit badges in the *The Boy Scout Handbook*, many struck me as fun. One that stood out was for "Coin Collecting," which I pursued with the support of my father and a coworker of his who collected coins. I purchased a



"Red Book" (*A Guide Book of United States Coins*) along with blue Whitman coin folders for cents, nickels and dimes. At the time (1963), my father felt that quarters were too valuable to put in the folder.

My memories of sitting at the kitchen table with my dad searching through piles of change have lasted all my life. This was a time when silver coins were still in circulation, and Buffalo nickels and Mercury dimes occasionally surfaced. Although none of my Whitman folders were completed, I still earned the merit badge, one step closer to earning the highest honor—Eagle Scout.

As a typical teen, I eventually forgot about collecting when I started my first job at age 15, and

discovered girls and cars. College, the military and marriage followed soon after. In my late 20s, I came across my old coin folders. Dusting them off, I remembered all the good times and thought it might be fun to once again attempt to fill those empty holes.

The Jefferson nickel folder was quickly filled with the help of two dealers in Montclair, New Jersey, followed shortly by the Roosevelt

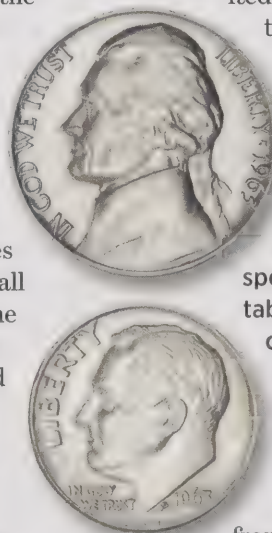
◀ Boy Scouts played an important part in Williams' life. After pursuing the "Coin Collecting" merit badge and many others, he earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

dime folder. To complete the Lincoln cent album required relatively serious money, as I needed to acquire a 1909-S VDB, a 1914-D and a 1955 doubled die... but what a feeling of accomplishment when I did! Most of the coins in my sets were circulated, but cherished.

Indian Head cents seemed to be an attractive next step. Having visited local coin dealers many times, I had heard about the American Numismatic Association and joined in 1979. I also subscribed to *Coin World* and *Numismatic News*. I went

◀ Williams and his father spent hours at their kitchen table searching for circulating coins, such as Jefferson nickels and Roosevelt dimes, that could fill his Whitman albums.

Actual Size: 21.2mm (Nickel) & 17.9mm



from just filling holes in a book to educating myself about the coins I was collecting. I started to become a little more discerning about the cents I sought, but my budget limited me to circulated examples.

While approaching completion of an Indian Head set, I purchased

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TRUE NORTH

Celebrating Diversity

Canada's redesigned \$10 bill is dedicated to human rights and equality.

➤ Canada's new \$10 polymer bank note featuring Viola Desmond will begin circulating in late 2018. The bill is designed to be viewed vertically and depicts the successful black businesswoman on the front.

Desmond was jailed, convicted and fined for refusing to leave a whites-only area of a movie theater in 1946. Her court case helped launch Canada's civil rights movement.

Behind Desmond's portrait is an artistic rendering of a historic map of Halifax, where she lived and worked. Canada's coat of arms and national flag also appear on the front, along with a view of the Library of Parliament's domed ceiling, representing the democratic institution that shapes the nation's laws.

The back of the note portrays the Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg, Manitoba—the first such institution in the world dedicated solely to the evolution, celebration and future of human rights. An eagle's feather symbolizes ideals such as truth, power and freedom. Also included is an excerpt from Canada's constitution that reads, "Every individual is equal before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination."



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EXPERIENCED LEADER

Welcome Back, Ryder!

The 34th U.S. Mint director returns to lead the coining facility.

The U.S. Senate confirmed David J. Ryder as the 39th director of the U.S. Mint for a five-year term. Four acting directors have led the nation's coining facility since Edmund C. Moy resigned in December 2010.

Ryder will be returning to the mint after a nearly 24-year absence. He served as the 34th mint director from September 3, 1992, until November 24, 1993, after which he worked in the private-sector authentication-technology industry. Philip N. Diehl, chairman of the Industry Council for Tangible Assets, commends the Senate's confirmation of Ryder, saying, "David has served at the mint before, he knows Washington well, and he brings to the job more than 20 years of experience in the anti-counterfeiting business. We need his leadership at the U.S. Mint as we confront the growing threat coin counterfeiting poses to the nation."

CANINE COIN

Puppy Proofs

A mint from down under has issued a new series honoring man's best friend.

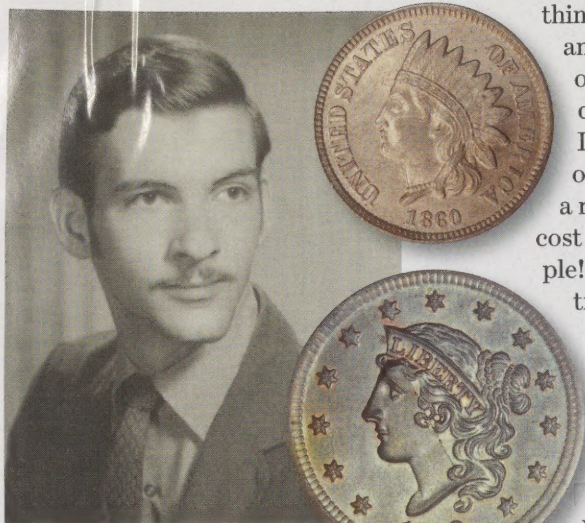
➤ The Perth Mint has released the first piece in its new "Puppies" series. The "Beagle" coin depicts a playful pooch peeking over a fence, with a flower-filled garden in the background.

The Beagle is struck with a proof finish from a half ounce of .9999-pure silver and has a mintage of 5,000. Displayed in a classic presentation case, each coin comes with a delightful illustration of a beagle puppy and a numbered certificate of authenticity.

Along with the Beagle, the Puppies series will feature a Border Collie, Golden Retriever, English Bulldog and Poodle, which will be released at later dates. For more information or to purchase for approximately US\$46, visit perthmint.com.



PHOTO: PERTH MINT



▲ The author lost interest in collecting during his high school years (pictured) and rediscovered the hobby in his late 20s. After completing folders from his childhood, he moved on to Indian Head cents (top) and large cents, such as this 1839 Matron Head Modified example.

Actual Size: 19mm (Indian Head) & 27.5mm

a few large cents that I came across in dealer cases. They were big, impressive and old, from a time when our country was in its formative years. I liked that they were historical and had stories to tell. I was so intrigued that I started a large-cent collection before finishing the Indian Head cent folder! By this point, all my albums were high-quality, with plastic windows to view both sides of the coins.

The pursuit of a date set of large cents became almost life changing for me! A dealer sold me a copy of William Sheldon's *Penny Whimsy* (ANA Library Catalog No. GB32 .S5p). Reading the author's account of his early days of collecting made me feel like I was sitting next to him at his kitchen table, studying old coppers by lamplight. I was hooked and joined Early American Coppers (EAC), a club that specializes in these coins. During my pursuit of a large-cent date set, I learned about such

things as die varieties and die states, and I obtained a number of different die varieties. I found it possible to occasionally purchase a rare variety for the cost of a common example! After some trials and tribulations, I eventually completed a circulated date set of these large coppers.

During this pursuit, I was exposed to state coppers, particularly those of New Jersey. How fascinating these coins were!

They were all from the 1780s and had die varieties that were relatively easy to identify. My personal library was growing with books, periodicals, fixed price lists and auction catalogs. On April 20, 1991, my 39th birthday, I met with a number of collectors at the First New Jersey Copper Symposium in Wayne, New Jersey. I initially felt out of place surrounded by experts, but I was quickly welcomed. Collector John Griffie's enthusiasm was addictive. I purchased several New Jersey coppers at that event and five more at the EAC convention a week later in Boston.

In 1993 the Colonial Coin Collectors Club (C4) was formed. I joined, and two years later C4 held

its first convention and auction. Being on a budget and not able to purchase everything, I decided to sell my U.S. coin collections for funds to pursue the specimens used by our forefathers before there was a U.S. Mint.

It's now 22 years later, and I'm still in pursuit of the coins, medals and paper money of our colonial and confederation periods. I still do what I can on a limited budget. I have fun sharing my hobby enjoyment with others, either through writing articles for publications, posting online or giving talks. Researching my pieces is as much fun as owning them. Although my hair is gray and I might be a pound or two overweight, I become a skinny kid again when I'm pursuing my hobby. Indeed, that little boy is always inside me.

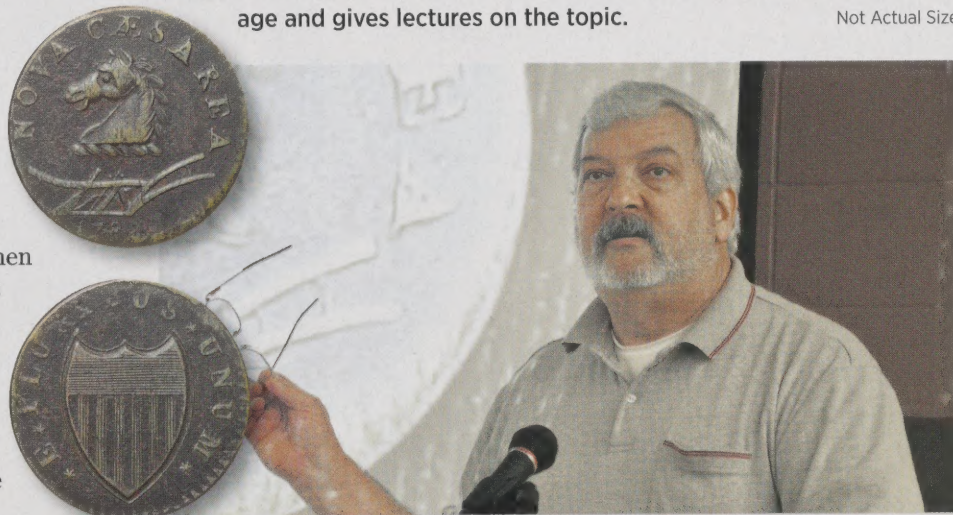
Numismatic friendships, with other gray-haired (or no-haired) "little boys" who share a camaraderie, have become an important part of my life. Regardless of economic, religious, political or social differences, we're all on the same playing field, enjoying each other's collections and research.

A hobby, by definition, should be fun. My wish for all those who have read this far is that you can experience the same level of enjoyment and accomplishment as I do, regardless of what you collect.

—Ray Williams

▼ Williams' passion for large cents led to an interest in New Jersey coppers (left). Today, he is considered an authority on Early American coinage and gives lectures on the topic.

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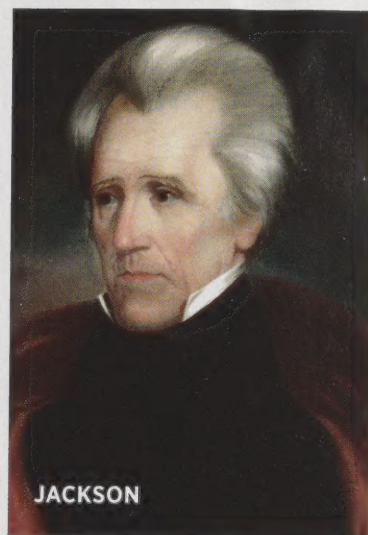


FINANCIAL DOWNTURN

Hard Times Ahead

The financial crisis of 1837 inspired the creation of privately minted tokens.

Andrew Jackson's dissolution of the Bank of the United States contributed to the Panic of 1837. Several varieties of Hard Times tokens bear the May 10 date, including the example at left.



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➤ May 10, 1837, is an important date in American history that is well known to collectors of Hard Times tokens. On that controversial day, banks in New York City stopped redeeming paper for specie (gold and silver) at full value, thereby triggering the Panic of 1837.



One early link in the chain of events leading up to this economic downturn and the ensuing "hard times" era emerged in 1829, when newly elected President Andrew Jackson began hinting that the First Bank of the United States should be dissolved when its charter expired in 1836. The financial institution's charter renewal came up for a vote well in advance of its expiration, and it was passed by both the Senate and House of Representatives in June and July of 1832, respectively. However, on July 4, 1836, Jackson vetoed the bill and deemed the bank "a monopoly against the interests of the common people." (A series of other

events, including increased speculation in various investments, also contributed to the panic.) Because of

Jackson's campaign to dismantle this financial institution, many Hard Times tokens portray the president and his policies in a negative light.

Several die varieties of May 10 tokens exist. In general, they are relatively affordable and easy to find in eye-pleasing grades. One such example, shown here, reads ★1837 ★SUBSTITUTE FOR SHIN PLASTERS /NOV^R and depicts a Phoenix rising from the ashes on the obverse. SPECIE PAYMENTS SUSPENDED surrounds the reverse with MAY/TENTH/1837 encircled by an oak wreath.

For those interested in reading more about Hard Times tokens and the era that spawned them, Whitman Publishing's *A Guide Book of Hard Times Tokens* (ANA Library Catalog No. PA73.B6) by Q. David Bowers offers an overview that is easy to digest and comprehend.

—Todd Sciore

SOARING HIGH

Art of the Medal

An avian-inspired work earns top honors in AMSA's contest.

The winner of the 2017 American Medal of the Year (AMY) competition, sponsored by the American Medallist Sculpture Association (AMSA), is Heidi Wastweet for her 3-inch-square art medal featuring the black-crowned night heron. The piece was commissioned by Brookgreen Gardens, a sculpture garden and nature preserve located near Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Wastweet's submission was chosen from more than 40 entries.

The artist elected to depict this particular bird because of the large number (almost 90 percent of the garden's total population) that live at Brookgreen's Cypress Aviary. She wanted to highlight the noisy, entertaining creatures in a beautiful way and says "the two sides of the medal show two sides of the bird's character—the serious, gruff side and [the] playful, goofy side."

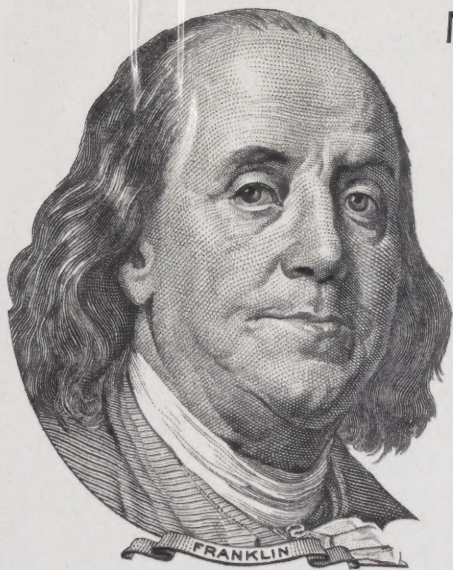
Just over 1,000 medals were struck to be given exclusively to



Brookgreen members subscribing at the "Presidents Council" level (\$275) and higher. (Membership information can be found at brookgreen.org/membership.) The runner-up was the Shekel Prize medal by Victor Huster, commissioned by the American Israel Numismatic Association.

The AMY award was established in 2014 to foster and recognize the growth of America's medallist art scene. To learn more about AMSA and its award program, visit amsamedals.org.

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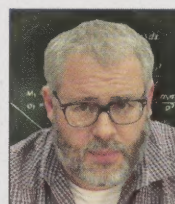
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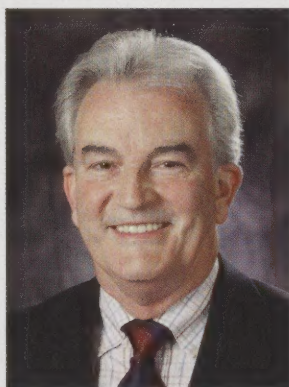
HOBBY CONTENTMENT

The key to numismatic success is education...
plus some hard work and perseverance.

In these days of instant gratification, we often find ourselves searching for shortcuts in our efforts to build great collections. What is the fastest or most affordable way to achieve our hobby goals?

Unfortunately, there is no “easy button,” and looking for one often yields less-than-satisfactory results. Nothing worthwhile can be accomplished without hard work and perseverance. Of course, some collectors seem to have all the luck and end up in the right place at the right time, but they are the exception. The rest of us have to soldier on and learn from our mistakes!

Throughout my many decades in the hobby, I have learned that the key to hobby success is education. Gaining knowledge and putting it to work for you is the tried-and-true formula for a wonderful collecting experience. Learning about the challenges others face—including their accomplishments and blunders—is essential to



your growth as a numismatist. Along the way, you might connect with a great mentor or group of mentors who can guide you in your journey.

The American Numismatic Association, with its lively and comprehensive educational programs, is a great place to start. Hundreds of you have attended the ANA's annual Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, where, over a week (or two), you have significantly expanded your knowledge base, networked with savvy professionals and made countless new friends. If you have not yet enrolled in the 2018 program, June 16-28, you still have time. View the course catalog online at money.org (or consult the January issue of *The Numismatist*) and contact Seminar Manager Amber Bradish to register (abradish@money.org, 719-482-9865). If you can't make it to Colorado this summer, attend an ANA traveling seminar near you. I promise that you will become a more confident collector and will value the experience for years to come.

I also encourage you to make use of the ANA's Dwight N. Manley Numismatic Library or work to build your own library of standard references and insightful studies. Learning from the great scholars who have already done the research will make your job easier and add to your hobby enjoyment. Attend local or regional coin-club meetings and shows, and perhaps become an exhibitor.

Finally, help others by sharing what you know. Mentoring and being mentored will enhance your hobby participation. Check out the resources available at money.org and, above all, become a member of the ANA if you are not already (and sign up a friend as well!)

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